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This action was taken by the board at its afternoon session at the Monticello Hotel yesterday. The reason for the removal was officially assigned as "for cause." The Pocmonoke's master was notified three times to appear before the board and make an explanation, and he failed to comply.

Captain Savage has been in the Virginia oyster navy for the past six years.

NEW BOARD OF FISHERIES

The present Board of Fisheries will hold office until March 31st, when the new board to be appointed by Governor Swanson, after February 1st, will enter upon its duties. That an entirely new board will be named there seems to be little doubt. In fact, some of the members of the present board state that they look for an entire change of personnel. Officers of the oyster navy and other appointments of the board will hold office until April 30th. This arrangement, which has prevailed for some time, gives the board time to select its men for the positions to be filled. The report from Richmond to the effect that the Bayliner survey might be broken gets little credence among the members of the board. State Senator Keeney, who is a member, is quoted as saying that the probability of such action being taken and he is doubtful if the matter is even broached at this session of the Legislature.

DEAD OF LOCKJAW.

Charlotte Elliott, an elderly colored woman, held in esteem by members of her race, died of lockjaw last night at her humble home in Eastwood Lane, Portsmouth. Ten days ago "Aunt Charlotte" stuck a nail in her foot, which at the time was not regarded seriously, but later symptoms developed, resulting in lockjaw. She leaves a husband and four children.

OYSTER TRADE DULL.

Well-Known Young Man Sent On for Robbery.

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FREDRICKSBURG, VA., Jan. 18.—Reports from down the Rappahannock River say the effect that the mild weather is playing havoc with the oyster business, the oysters being poor and bringing low prices. The oyster trade is dull, and the oystermen are returning with their cargoes and the oysters repackaged rather than sell them at a profit.

Calvin Walker, a well known young man of this city, who was caught in the act of robbing a store here Monday, has been sent on to the grand jury, and is now in jail, being unable to give bond.

A number of men having factories consolidated, reducing the number of factories and concentrating the work, so as to reduce expenses and increase production.

Cards have been received here for the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Corbin, of the late S. Welford Corbin, of "Fairview," King George county, now a resident of Chatham, to Miss Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Reinhardt, of Plainfield, N. J. The ceremony will take place in Grace Church, at Plainfield, N. J., Wednesday evening, January 31st.

Mr. James H. Currell, formerly of this city, sent on a few days ago in Williamsburg, Pa., to Miss Enright, of that city, where the couple now reside. Currell being in business at that place.

TO SELL BAY SHORE.

Court Orders Sale, Which It Says Will Pay All Debts.

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He reserved his decision as to determining the priority of the claims against the property, and as there will be enough money to pay all, the attorneys contend for an immediate sale.

He ordered a suit for the condemnation of a part of the roadbed, which is affected by a reversionary title. The rails are laid now on a strip of two miles, to which the road has not a clear title.

SMALLPOX CONTAGION.

Craney Island Pest House for Norfolk—Good Conditions.

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SPOKE TO SHROUDERS.

Converses With Those Who Come to Prepare Him for Burial.

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The board calls attention to the fact that the commerce of Norfolk harbor has increased from 1,914,500 tons in 1888 to about 10,000,000 in 1904, and that a further development is reasonably prospective. In concurring in the recommendation for the further improvement of the channel, with a view to widening and straightening the same and providing a uniform depth of thirty feet, the board recommends that the width be given to the dredged channel be 600 feet from Hampton Roads to Lambert's Point, 800 feet from Lambert's Point to the junction of the eastern and southern branches, and from 470 to 700 feet in the southern branch.

VIRGINIA BRIEFS

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CHATHAM, VA., Jan. 18.—Following officers of William Pitt Camp, M. W. of A., are: Capt. J. E. Thompson, president; Dr. C. L. Carter, vice president; J. B. Geyer, secretary; E. H. Shelton, banker; D. A. Jefferson, clerk; W. M. Tredway, Jr.; exec. com. G. E. Thompson, physician; Dr. C. L. Carter, watchman; W. C. N. Merchant, manager; J. P. Hunt, Jr., treasurer. The camp is held at a farm of 100 acres, four miles west of Lexington, to Messrs. F. H. Pix and W. A. Pix. The price paid was \$4,000 cash, and possession was given at the time of the sale.

LYNCHBURG, VA.—The Southern Fire Insurance Company held its first annual meeting at the home office here to-day, and the old officers were re-elected. The business of the company during the year exceeds all expectations.

NOFOLK, VA.—Henry White, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. H. White, of South Norfolk, was accidentally shot yesterday by a playmate. The bullet, which was fired from a .38-caliber revolver, entered the left leg. The boy is not seriously hurt.

ROCKVILLE, HANOVER CO., VA.—On the night of Jan. 30, Mr. J. B. Bowles' cow-barn with thirty-one head of cattle and several tons of hay, was burned. Origin of fire unknown. Insurance only \$500.

Petition for Lower Taxes.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
SUFFOLK, VA., January 18.—Petitions from three out of four magisterial districts in Nansemond county praying that the tax levies be reduced to-day were presented to the board of supervisors. The petitioners contended that the rate is too high and school patrons do not receive their money's worth. In order to give the school authorities a hearing, the board postponed action until a special meeting will be held.

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FARMVILLE, VA., January 18.—The State Executive Committee of the Dark Tobacco Growers' Association of Virginia, met here to-day and was called to order by John D. Shepperson, State president; H. A. Stokes, secretary, being sick, C. A. Stacy was made secretary. The following counties were represented by the county chairmen which composed the State committee:

Appomattox county, A. H. Howerton; Amelia, C. N. Stacy; Amherst, E. H. Wood; Brunswick, S. L. Barrow; Buckingham, B. R. Johns; Bedford, G. S. Nichols; Campbell, R. J. Marshall; Charlotte, S. C. Daniel; Dinwiddie, E. S. Hobbs; Franklin, O. E. Sonnet; Lunenburg, J. A. Hardy; Nelson, W. H. Wither; Nottoway, J. P. Irby; Prince Edward, E. T. Bondurant.

Reports from the different districts pricing houses showed that they had been opened at Blackstone for the counties of Nottoway, Lunenburg, Dinwiddie, Middle and Amelia. At Farmville for the counties of Nottoway, Amelia, Prince Edward, Buckingham, Cumberland and Charlotte. Two pricing houses located at Drake's Branch for Charlotte county and for the counties adjacent. At Lynchburg, for Appomattox, Nelson, Campbell and Amherst. At China, Amelia county, for Amelia, Powhatan and Chesterfield, and one soon to be opened at Bedford City for Bedford and Franklin.

Large quantities of tobacco are being delivered to these houses, and the quality of the tobacco shown at the Farmville house was very good. The members of the State committee and many farmers were deeply interested in the large quantity being received, and the excellent way in which it was handled by Messrs. J. E. Johnson and Company, who have the contract at Farmville and also for Amelia county.

Great interest is being taken by merchants and citizens, even the bankers are contributing to the work of organization and securing pledges of tobacco, in the different localities, realizing the prosperity that good prices must bring.

The report of John D. Shepperson of his visit to the Western Tobacco Association showed a community like with interest and determination to win at every point. Ninety per cent. of the dark tobacco is pledged to the association, and contracts have been made for the sale of the crop already in progress. Arrangements were made for the representatives of the Western Association to visit Virginia to aid in perfecting the system of co-operation for mutual benefit.

A committee was appointed looking to the establishment of a State organization at first with some of the large papers of the State.

Arrangements looking to the systematic management of the work as to settlements for sale and proper keeping of records were also made.

T. Bondurant, the State chairman of the executive committee and acting salesman for the association, is negotiating sales of some grades of tobacco already.

The Amelia Pricing House has been located in Chula, where a good tobacco working plant was built a few years ago. Messrs. J. E. Johnson, of Farmville, and Mr. Henry N. Vaughan, of Richmond, two of the best known young tobaccoists in the State, have this contract and they will prize the tobacco and store it in a bonded warehouse in Richmond, Va.

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The receipt is good for an advance on the tobacco by the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank, at Amelia.

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BUSY DAY FOR ANTI-SALOON MEN

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population, the largest sum for league work during the past year were awarded to Lancaster county, Richmond, as a city of the first class in size of population; Lynchburg, in second class; Ashland, as a town of first class; Blackstone, second class; Capron, third class.

These banners were presented with appropriate speeches by league officers and received by representatives of the successful county, city and town.

The reception was given was marked by the adoption of the report of the Committee on Legislation, one of the most important actions of the convention, which took place in very quiet fashion on a rising vote, with little discussion. Rev. Dr. Cannon, representing the committee, simply reading the following report and stating that the primary purposes were the bringing of distilleries under the Mann law and the placing of all social club bars on the same footing as the regular saloon.